



ROLE OF ICT IN REVIEW OF ACCREDITATION, ASSESSMENT AND ACADEMIC AUDIT IN TODAY'S HIGHER EDUCATION

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Abstract: The Higher Education sector in India has witnessed a tremendous increase in its institutional capacity since Independence it is one among the major areas of development, which is undergoing a fantastic change. The country is becoming a global hub for educational activities and a feeder for all kinds of international manpower requirement. There is a growing demand for, and also concern to, provide quality education with standard curriculum and globally acceptable system of education. Everywhere the idea of increasing Gross Enrollment ratio, Generating more human resource with intellectual inputs are given much thrust. The NAAC (National Assessment and Accreditation Council) of India has evolved certain benchmarks for ascertaining and ensuring quality at different levels of Higher Education and for its continued sustenance. During the last ten years, Universities in India have taken serious note of these emerging needs and demands and trying to update the curriculum, design new Programs and offer better educational services while maintaining high quality. By establishing Internal Quality Assurance Cells (IQAC) and conducting External Quality Assurance checks it is possible to go for a Total Quality Management in an Academic Institution.. The monitoring and evaluation of the institutional processes require a carefully structured system of internal and external introspection. Thus this paper discusses the factors considered under the Academic and administrative Audit of Higher education Institutes.

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"Quality is never an accident. It is always the result of high intention, sincere efforts, intelligent direction, and skillful education; it represents the wise choice of many alternatives." - Willa A. Foster

Introduction: Academic and administration audit can be understood as the process of evaluating the progress undertaken by Higher Education Institutions. It is the process of monitoring and reviewing the quality of education provided in the Higher Education Institute. It is undertaken to verify whether all factors of Academic Audit Indicators are carried on as per the guidelines provided by the authorized authority. It further, assesses the effectiveness and efficiency of all the administrative departments of the institutions, the administrative departments are responsible for all the proper implementation of policies, procedures, regulations and strategies framed by the Institutions.

Need for AAA

The Academic and Administrative Audit is needed for following

- To confirm that the arrangements for quality assurance are fit for purpose and adapt to the institution's role and mission.
- To provide assurance that the standards of higher education (at degree level and above) align with expectations.
- To ensure that students have access to appropriate learning opportunities.
- To promote and enhance high quality teaching learning environment.

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